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This is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement being submitted in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 - 1.98 in connection with the above-identified application. Submitted herewith is Form PTO-1449. A copies of the foreign references cited thereon are enclosed.

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Each document contained in the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in an European Search Report in a counterpart application EP00918577 issued on September 22, 2004, less than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of the European Search Report is enclosed herewith. The three Japanese patents have English translations of the Abstract. There is no translation for the German patent.

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